### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Course: Fundamentals of Civil and Commercial Law

Field of study: BBA, first year, gr. 1,3,5

Semester: Summer 2024/2025

Teacher: Agnieszka Guzewicz PhD

Unit: Department of Civil Law and Private International Law

#### **PROGRAMME**

- 1. Civil and Commercial Law Concepts.
- 2. Nature of Obligation. Types of Obligations.
- 3. Freedom of Contract. Conclusion of Contracts. Breach of Contract.
- 4. Unfair Terms in Consumer Contracts.
- 5. Notion of Tort and Categories of Liability.
- 6. Types of Partnerships and Companies.
- 7. Trademark as a Type of Intellectual Property. Notion of Copyright.

# REQUIREMENTS TO COMPLETE THE COURSE

### **I. PROJECT / PRESENTATION**

Each Student should prepare in advance a project/presentation and then present it during the classes. It will be assessed by the teacher. The topics, criteria of evaluation and all formal requirements will be sent to Students by the teacher via email.

### **II. ATTENDANCE**

Attendance is obligatory.

In regard to attendance, one unexcused absence is allowed.

Each subsequent absence should be made up for in the form of an oral answer during the office hours within two weeks of the absence or the cause of the absence - otherwise the final grade will be reduced by half a degree.

#### III. ACTIVITY

Outstanding activity in the area covered by the subject matter of the classes, confirmed by "pluses" (obtained during at least half of the classes), results in an increase of the final grade by half a degree. Please check your additional points ("pluses") after each class.

## RECOMMENDED LITERATURE / LEGAL ACTS / LINKS

- J. Gordley, H. Jiang, A. T. von Mehren, *An Introduction to the Comparative Study of Private Law. Readings, Cases, Materials*, Cambridge University Press 2021.
- M. Bussani, A. Sebok (eds), *Comparative Tort Law: Global Perspectives*, Edward Elgar Publishing 2021.
- P. Machnikowski, J. Balcarczyk, M. Drela, *Contract Law in Poland*, Alphen aan den Rijn: Kluwer Law International 2020.
- P. Machnikowski, A. Górnicz-Mulcahy, J. Balcarczyk, *Intellectual Property Law in Poland*, Kluwer Law International 2020.
- H. Beale, B. Fauvarque-Cosson, J. Rutgers, S. Vogenauer, *Cases, Materials and Text on Contract Law*, Hart Publishing 2019.
- J. Devenney, M. Kenny (eds.), *European Consumer Protection. Theory and Practice*, Cambridge University Press 2012.

Regulation (EU) 2017/1001 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 14 June 2017 on the European Union trade mark (codification), OJ L 154, 16.6.2017, p. 1–99, https://eurlex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?qid=1506417891296&uri=CELEX:32017R1001

Council Regulation (EC) No 2157/2001 of 8 October 2001 on the Statute for a European company (OJ L 294, 10.11.2001, p. 1–21), https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=celex%3A32001R2157

Council Directive 93/13/EEC of 5 April 1993 on unfair terms in consumer contracts (OJ 1993, L 95/29), https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=CELEX%3A31993L0013

Council Directive 85/374/EEC of 25 July 1985 on the approximation of the laws, regulations and administrative provisions of the Member States concerning liability for defective products (OJ L 210, 7.8.1985, p. 29–33), <a href="https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=celex%3A31985L0374">https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=celex%3A31985L0374</a>

Directive (EU) 2024/2853 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2024 on liability for defective products and repealing Council Directive 85/374/EEC (OJ L, 2024/2853) 18.11.2024, https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/dir/2024/2853/oj/eng

Case law of the Court of Justice of the European Union in Luxembourg, <a href="https://curia.europa.eu/jcms/jcms/index.html">https://curia.europa.eu/jcms/jcms/jcms/index.html</a>